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## That Unclean Triumvirate

Truth does not believe in personal abuse nor in attacking private individuals, but when a pack of blackguards and blacklegs set themselves up as leaders of the people, when they villify and abuse anybody and everybody who won't bow the knee to them, when they deliberately, wantonly and maliciously, through the newspapers they control, slander the city, the state and the people, injure business and retard progress. Truth believes the public should be informed of the characters of the men who are doing these things. There is no political party question in this thing. Truth has nothing against anyone because he belongs to this party or that party and the fact that the Tribune and its owner, manager and editor are the leaders of a particular party has nothing to do with the strictures Truth is laying upon them. There are good, conscientious people in the "American" party and others who are sympathizers with it in a more or less degree. But none of them approve of the methods of the Tribune and the triumvirate in working great and irreparable injury to the state in scourging a whole community for the gratification of personal spite born of disappointment. What good thing can a political party accomplish with such leaders as Kearns, Cannon, et al? If there is any need for an "American" party here, at least half way decent people should be at the head of it, people whose aim is to promote the welfare of the state, not to injure it. Truth has no use for knockers. It will combat them to the end.

The unsavory and unprincipled triumvirate, composed of an Irish "Mick," a renegade Jew and a renegade Mormon, who for many months have been scourging this city and state keep up their dastardly work from day to day in the columns of the Tribune and its two satellites, the Herald and Telegram. They have set themselves up as dictators and to gratify their base spites have inflicted incalculable injury on the business interests of Salt Lake in particular and the state in general. This unclean combination or moral lepers which has set itself up as censor of public morals and everything else, is

composed of about as immoral and unprincipled a gang as could be found in the nation. Ex-Senators Cannon and Kearns are notoriously and openly unclean. The third member of the triumvirate is sly, foxy and crafty. He works in the dark. His ways are devious and hard to find out, but they can and have been found out.

The triumvirate, as Henry Waterson would say, is "like a thief preaching honesty, a prostitute lecturing on virtue" and the so-called "American" party is in the position of "flagging a political gut wagon that drives through the red light district of the city." The picture is not a pleasing one, but it is true to the facts.

Ex-Senator Thomas Kearns, the head of the triumvirate of knockers, made his first appearance in this state as a fugitive from justice. He killed a man in Nebraska and fled to escape the vengeance of the law. He changed his name to Thomas Williams and in Park City worked in the mines and was known under that name for years. A lucky stroke of the pick resulted in the great Silver King mine and made Thomas Kearns, alias Williams, rich. The lapse of time and the influence of money enabled him to fix things with the minions of the law and he was enabled to resume his proper name without fear of the hangman's noose. This perhaps gave him the idea that anything and every thing could be accomplished by the use of money. Honesty, good deeds and an upright life were with him considered valueless assets. He lived such a life as would have made any man without the potent influence of money a reproach in the community. He got into many tight places, but his money so far has always saved him. One of the most disgraceful affairs which became public by the action at law brought against him by a young girl named Eula Wray, who charged that he had debauched her and was the father of her child. The details of this affair are known to most people in Salt Lake. Notwithstanding his known bad character his money enabled him to be elected United States senator, although he had not the smallest qualification for

that office, densely ignorant, uncouth, with all the arrogance of a nouveau riche. His course in the senate for the four year term for which he was elected was as everybody knows, marked by gross incompetency, astounding duplicity and immorality perhaps only equalled by that of ex-Senator Cannon, another member of the triumvirate which assumes to control the destinies of this state. His reputation in the national capital is no better than it is at home. Here in Salt Lake he has brutally insulted young girls in his office, and a dependent, above the rank of a servant in his household, had to flee from his residence and seek shelter from friends to preserve her virtue. These are facts, and Truth can give names and dates. This is the man that the deluded ladies of the Presbyterian church gave a swell reception and hailed as the defender of the purity of the American home. Tom Kearns, Frank Cannon, Fred Dubois as defenders of the purity of the home!!!

Once upon a time a rich man dwelt in a big house which he called "the castle." In the castle were men servants and women servants. One of the women servants was young and fair to look upon. The master lusted after her and accomplished the desire of his heart. When the woman's shame could no longer be hidden something had to be done. The rich man was very rich. He procured a poor man to make the woman his wife; he furnished a house for the pair; he set them up in business. It cost the rich man \$8,000 to do all this. These things occurred less than a year ago here in Salt Lake.

### WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH UTAH?

"What ails Utah?"

"What ails this town?"

These questions are being asked daily by the newspaper representing one set of malcontents. The querist then proceeds to answer both in its own way. When it has completed, the organ of the other set of malcontents sits up and barks and thus the fight goes on from day to day.

There isn't anything the matter with Utah; there isn't anything the matter with Salt Lake, except the presence of a few knockers. We are all right. Business is good; business

men are confident of a bright future; new capital is coming here for investment.

Take a glance at the following conditions existing, you who are trying to tear down the commercial interests of this state and then go hide yourselves, in shame.

From the columns of the daily press chief among those publishing the information being the knocking Tribune—we gather the information that the wool clip this year will surpass that of any previous year in all of Utah's history. That from 12,000,000 to 14,000,000 pounds will be the figure; that the price will be from 16 to 18 or even 20 cents per pound and that the total value of the product will be \$3,000,000.

What ails Utah?

From the columns of the daily press we read that the beet sugar industry in this state will be increased this year; that instead of 9,500 acres of beets as in 1904. There will be over 11,000 acres at Lehi and that 6,500 acres will be planted at Garland, instead of 2,900 last year. That \$100,000 will be expended on enlarging the plant of the Lehi factory. That instead of \$726,722 being paid for beets as was last year, this year the amount will be \$1,200,000. What ails Utah?

From the columns of the daily press we gather the information that the demand for blankets for the armies of Japan and Russia is so great that all the eastern factories are crowded and wool scarce, so that every pound we have will doubtless be snapped up at the seller's figures, to the material advantage of Utah wool growers.

What ails Utah?

From the Richfield Reaper we learn that big consignments of cattle are changing hands down that way; that trains of stock are being shipped into Colorado from Utah; from the Logan Republican we see that Cache county farmers have received \$27,000 for horses during the past three months and that the money received has been invested in better grades of stock, showing a condition of prosperity among the agriculturalists. From every country paper in the state we glean the news of sales of produce and stock; of the making of improvements; of a condition of plenty and a prospect for good crops.

What ails Utah?

Trains are now running over the San Pedro to Los Angeles and in a few weeks the service will be regular.